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Applicant(s): Rafael L. Espinoza et al
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For: IMPROVED CATALYSTS FOR THE CONVERSION OF METHANE
TO SYNTHESIS GAS

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION ISSUED AUGUST 7, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.